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In re Patent No. 6,363,036

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: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Application No. 09/474,522 Filed: December 29, 1999

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This letter is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(e), filed November 19, 2010. The required petition fee of \$400.00 has been charged to the authorized deposit account.

Prior to a decision on the merits of the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(e), additional information and/or supporting documentation is required.

Petitioner is given TWO MONTHS to comply. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) will not be permitted. The reply to this letter should be directed to the Office of Petitions.

A finding of unavoidable delay requires, inter alia, a showing that steps were implemented to schedule and pay the maintenance fee. As indicated in the decision on petition mailed September 21, 2010, 37 CFR 1.378(b)(3) requires a showing of the steps in place to pay the maintenance fee. Petitioner must enumerate the steps taken to ensure that the maintenance fee would be timely paid. In this regard, petitioners should establish who was responsible for determining whether or not the maintenance fee would be paid and how this information was conveyed to the party responsible for remitting the payment. Petitioner should advise for what purpose Mr. Eldridge was given funds in 2006. If funds given were given to Mr. Eldridge for the purpose of paying the maintenance fee for the instant patent, petitioner should provide evidence thereof. Petitioner must clearly establish what procedures were in place for ensuring the timely payment of the maintenance fee.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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The requested revocation of power of attorney/change of address has been entered into the record.

Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3205.

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